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Village Crier

Celebrating 41 years!

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SOUTH COUNTY IN THE SUMMER IS A SPECIAL TIME TO ENJOY THE BEAUTY THAT SURROUNDS US!

Travel through The Village and enjoy the landscapes, both natural and created. Leisure Drive welcomes you with fragrance and beauty from white flower clusters of the native Sweet Pepper Bush plants, they line Leisure Drive from the entrance to the Office. There are gorgeous Hydrangeas in many shapes, sizes and colors. Enjoy the wonderful plantings at John Rice's home at 50 Little Pond Road, the Garden Club's bountiful harvest at the Clubhouse and continue down Little Pond and throughout The Village to enjoy a community garden tour. We have an abundance of talented gardeners.

While the weather is hot, hazy, and humid we need to **stay cool, hydrate and relax** and **be sure to enjoy Summer**; a walk on the beach or Narragansett Pier Sea Wall. Clam cakes and chowder at Monahan's Dock, Aunt Carrie's, Iggy's and George's of Galilee. Ice Cream at Brickley's, Theatre by The Sea, Courthouse Center for The Arts, Beach Yoga and The Contemporary Theatre. South Kingstown River Fire on Main Street. Jamestown to Newport Ferry rides and Galilee to Block Island. **Don't let SUMMER pass you by, ENJOY IT!**

Community Matters here and please join in, residents are friendly and fun-loving, especially at the Village Homeowner's Association. We have a fantastic group of residents that give their time and energy generously for the betterment of The Village. Meet new people, make new friends, enjoy common interests, play Bocce, Bingo, Pool, Pilates, join Book Chat and Gardening Club, Croquet have fun, start an activity, or join an existing one, lend a helping hand, make a difference in your Village.

Village homes are selling for record prices, now is a wonderful time to sell. Thinking of selling, call Lisa and Anna Beth for more information.

HOUSEKEEPING: DO NOT FEED THE WILD LIFE, Violators will be fined by RI DEM and management will gladly report you, Feeding Wildlife is Illegal. They destroy neighbor's gardens and they have plenty of food in the surrounding woods. Gardeners love their plants, work hard to cultivate them, and spend large amounts of money purchasing and maintaining them.

RECYCLING: NO PLASTIC BAGS ON ANY KIND ! No hangers, Styrofoam, curtain rods, broken mirrors, flower pots... **ONLY:** paper, newspaper, glass jars, no covers, plastic containers, **WHEN IN DOUBT, DON'T PUT IT IN RECYCLING BUT YOUR TRASH TOTE** INSTEAD.

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Please clean up after your pets, if you know of someone who is not, please contact the office, so we can address this problem with them.

Village Speeders: Please slow down and be aware of walkers, bikers, and their pets. It is very upsetting to watch you speed by without any regard for your neighbors. THINK...

Reminder* - As of July 1st, there are new Land Lease amounts as well as your \$ 42 property tax pass through was due July 1st, payable to The Village at Worden's Pond.

NO SOLICITATION IN THE VILLAGE, OUR ROADS ARE PRIVATE ! BE AWARE OF FRADULENT CALLS, NEVER GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFORMATION OVER THE PHONE, JUST HANG UP !

BIG thank to our wonderful editor, Marylou Butler !

CELEBRATE and ENJOY SUMMER, Lisa and Anita

SAVE THE DATE Sunday August 9th, 4pm-7pm

Celebrating Local Artist and Neighbor, Madeline Beaudry

Original Artwork by Madeline Beaudry will be Exhibited and will be available for purchase at the Village Clubhouse, 14 Little Pond Road.

Welcome Residents and Friends,

Madeline Beaudry is an Artist living and working between Wakefield, RI and Deland FL. She is an exhibiting member of the Artist Cooperative Gallery of Westerly and The South County Art Association in Rhode Island. In Florida, she belongs to The Artists Workshop of New Smyrna Beach, The Art League of Daytona Beach and the Florida Women's Art Association. In the last several years, Madeline has been a member of our community, here in The Village as well as Florida. Ms. Beaudry has won numerous awards for her work, and her art can be found in private collections throughout the US.

Prior to the event a few pieces of Madeline's work will be displayed at the office.

Please mark your calendars and join us Sunday August 9th, between 4 – 7pm and enjoy the Visual Experience of Madeline's Magical Works. While no purchase is necessary to enjoy the show, Artwork is available for purchase that evening, with Cash or Check.

Light Refreshments will be served and we look forward to seeing you!

For more info regarding the Artist or this event, please contact Anna Beth @ 401-489-0527



REST IN PEACE

Celeste Martin

Ed Ciaramello

Lorraine Morgera

Lilyne Hollingworth

HOA NEWS

"Summer is like a big bowl of ice cream—best enjoyed slowly and with lots of sprinkles!"

What a glorious summer we are having! It's hard to believe that August is here already and with it our annual Ice Cream Social! Join us Saturday, August 23rd, 2-4pm for ice cream sundaes, root beer floats, and the chance to catch up with villager friends. This event is free to VHOA members. Non-member cost is \$5.00 pp so if you haven't joined our VHOA yet, or forgot to send in your membership, now is the time to do it! As a reminder, single membership cost is \$15 and couples are \$25. You can drop off your membership form and check when you sign up for the Ice Cream Social or simply put your non-member cash or check in an envelope with your name and address. The sign-up sheet will be posted on our VHOA bulletin board at the Little Pond mailboxes August 11 to 18. The remittances box is right below the bulletin board. Once again we are most grateful to Brickley's of Wakefield for their delicious ice cream and generosity!

Our annual yard sale is Saturday, October 3rd, 8am-1pm. Here is the perfect opportunity for you to dispose of gently used items you no longer need. Proceeds from this event help fund our activities and provide charitable donations to local non-profit organizations. Please call or text Christine Pfeiffer at 401-741-1103 to drop off items at the lower back door of the clubhouse on Tuesdays 4-5pm. Or call Diane Smith at 203-535-6650 to arrange for pick-up. Your donations are greatly appreciated and a big thank you to those of you who have already contributed!

In the hopes of encouraging more participation and welcoming the opportunity to serve on our executive board, we, the officers and trustees, are continuing to work on restructuring our organization. Therefore, there will be no general meeting again this month. Our next general meeting will be Tuesday, September 15th, at 6:30pm. At that time we hope to present to you, our membership, revised By-laws and meeting schedules. Our current board and officers are as follows:

Deborah Dean, President. Chuck Morgan, Vice President. Christine Pfeiffer, Secretary. Betty Morgan, Treasurer. Jean Lockwood, Doug Shepard, and Diane Smith, Trustees. Julie Wardell, Activities Committee Chairperson also attends and contributes to board meetings. It is our pleasure to serve you.

"August reminds us that joy often hides in the most unexpected places". Enjoy the bird songs, bunnies peeking out here and there, squirrel races, soft breezes, vibrant sunsets, sandy toes, and the salty aroma of the sea. Gee we live in a beautiful place!

Sunny days and Peace,

Deborah Dean, VWPHOA President



Anyone wanting to play ping pong in the clubhouse, please call Steve Vierling
401-345-4836.



ANNUAL COMMUNITY YARD SALE

SPONSORED BY THE VILLAGE AT WORDENS POND
HOMEOWNER' ASSOCIATION

OCTOBER 3, 2026 8 AM- 1 PM

DONATIONS CAN BE MADE NOW BY CALLING CHRISTINE PFEIFFER 401-741-1103 IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BRING THE ITEMS TO THE CLUBHOUSE OR DIANE SMITH 401-308-6815 IF YOU WOULD LIKE US TO PICK THEM UP AT YOUR HOUSE. PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY ITEMS TO THE CLUBHOUSE BEFORE CONTACTING ONE OF US.

ACCEPTABLE ITEMS INCLUDE:
HOUSEWARES, SMALL APPLIANCES, SMALL FURNITURE, DECORATIVE ITEMS, GAMES, TOYS, PET SUPPLIES, AND MORE.

WE DO NOT ACCEPT CLOTHING, LINEN, SHOES, PILLOWS UNLESS BRAND NEW IN ORIGINAL PACKAGING. ALSO, NO LARGE FURNITURE. THERE WILL BE A BAKE SALE, COFFEE, AND DONUTS FOR SALE THAT MORNING AT THE CLUBHOUSE.

FOR THE RESIDENTS WHO WISH TO HAVE THEIR OWN SALE THAT DAY, WE ADVERTISE IN 5 PAPERS AND SEVERAL AREA SHOPS. WE ALSO PROVIDE STREET SIGNS IN THE COMMUNITY AND IN OUR VILLAGE. LET US KNOW IF YOU NEED A SIGN ON YOUR STREET. TABLES CAN BE RENTED FOR \$10 EACH, IF YOU NEED ONE FOR YOUR OWN HOUSE YARD SALE.

THIS HAS BECOME A POPULAR EVENT FOR SOUTHERN RI!

Meet “Rolling Thunder” Mobile Health Unit

Thundermist Health Center is proud to announce its new [mobile medical unit](#) has hit the road and is now visiting three communities across Rhode Island: Woonsocket, West Warwick, and **South County**. Rolling Thunder was made possible with funding support from UnitedHealthcare, the Champlin Foundation, and the CharterCARE Foundation.

The 37-foot vehicle nicknamed “Rolling Thunder” is open to everyone, regardless of insurance carrier or status, with no appointment needed. It includes a full exam room, patient waiting area, as well as an additional private space that can be used for counseling appointments or other meetings. Rolling Thunder currently offers a variety of services, including basic checkups and health screenings, behavioral health appointments, help with insurance enrollment, referrals for other services, and more. Staff onboard typically include a medical provider, community health worker, and behavioral health clinician. **Individuals do not need to be established Thundermist patients to receive care.**

“There are many Rhode Islanders who do not have access to a primary care physician or cannot make it to their healthcare appointments for a variety of reasons,” Thundermist President and CEO Chuck Jones says. “Rolling Thunder helps bridge gaps for the communities we serve by literally meeting people where they’re at and giving them access to providers and support teams who can ensure they are engaged in care.”

Rolling Thunder is currently visiting a number of community partner sites weekly, including the **Jonnycake Center for Hope located at 22 Kersey Road in Peace Dale n Peace Dale on Wednesdays.** While “walk-on” visits are welcome, Thundermist also offers appointments on Rolling Thunder. Patients can call 401-767-4100 to schedule an appointment. For additional information—and for the most up-to-date locations Rolling Thunder will visit each week, please see www.thundermisthealth.org/services/mobile-medical-unit/.

Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

The Town of South Kingstown is pleased to **invite residents and community members** to celebrate the official opening of the new **Community Learning Center** at the Peace Dale Library.

Date: Tuesday, August 25, 2026

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Peace Dale Library, 1057 Kingstown Road, Peace Dale!

The Community Learning Center represents a **significant investment in lifelong learning, community engagement, and accessible gathering spaces** for residents of all ages.

The renovated facility features conference rooms, meeting spaces, upgraded technology, and flexible areas designed to support educational, cultural, and community programs.



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**Worden Pond
Abutting Property Owner
7/17/2026**

The Pond and Lake Connection has been contracted by the Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management (RI DEM) to manage the invasive aquatic plant *Hydrilla verticillata* starting in 2026 within Worden Pond supported with dedicated federal funding from the US Department of Agriculture. Management activities will include a pre and post-treatment aquatic plant survey and tuber sampling conducted by the limnology company TRC, as well as several lake inspections prior to each treatment by The Pond and Lake Connection.

Lake treatments this year will start in August, with visits every few weeks expected to run into November. We will inform and coordinate with RI DEM regarding treatment scheduling and signs will be posted on each day of treatment to inform residents. If you wish to receive an email from RIDEM before the scheduled treatment dates, please add your email address by scanning the QR code above (<https://lp.constantcontactpages.com/sl/KxaPhki>).

All work will be conducted under an RI DEM aquatic herbicide permit and an EPA/RI DEM approved aquatic herbicide (fluridone) will be used. The low dosage rate of fluridone will not restrict any swimming, fishing, or boating. Signs will be posted around the lake prior to treatment stating as such. Irrigation with lake water may be restricted for a small amount of time after each treatment, please refer to posted signage for details.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this, please feel free to contact us.

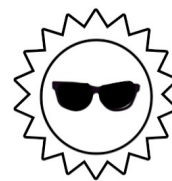
Thank you,

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